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TO: Members of the Construction Code Commission

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SUBJECT: Interpretation Request - Section 512.13.1.2.

Question: Is raised booth seating a separate seating option under section 512.13.1.2.?

Answer: No.

Comment: Section 512.13.1.2 requires that barrier free seating positions "... shall be dispersed throughout the seating area and range of seating options ..." When booth seating is raised, it does not necessarily become a separate seating option. If the booths are raised to accommodate the server, i.e. 6 inches, no benefit to the customer is derived. The requirements of section 512.13.1.2 are satisfied when accessible booths, in the right proportion, are provided integral with the layout of the booths.

It should be noted that if the platform creating the raised booth extends beyond the limits of the booth, then this would be considered a raised level. Therefore, since section 512.7.3 requires access to all levels of a building, access to this level would be required.